

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**REISSUE APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION  
(BY INVENTORS)**

**DECLARATION BY THE INVENTORS**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is described and claimed in letters patent number 6,327,497, granted on December 4, 2001, and in the subject matter in the amendment filed on March 20, 2007 in the subject reissue application, US Application No. 10/727,327, and for which invention I solicit a reissue patent.

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(37 C.F.R. § 1.175)**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

**STATEMENT OF INOPERATIVENESS  
OR INVALIDITY OF ORIGINAL PATENT  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.175)**

I/We hereby declare that every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and which is not covered by the prior oath(s) and/or declaration(s) submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

**DECLARATION**

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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